## CLAIMS

- 1. A container for receiving plates having a sensitive surface, said container comprising:
- a container part having a cavity enclosed by four walls and a bottom;
  - a removable cover for closing the container part;

guide grooves located on two opposing ones of said walls for guiding plates received therein;

a flexible tongue configured integrally with the cover for securing plates received within the container against displacement;

wherein said flexible tongue is biased into the direction of said bottom for exerting a pressure against a front surface of plates received within the container for securing said plates against displacements when said cover is closed.

- 2. The container of claim 1, wherein said tongue protrudes from an inner surface of said cover into said cavity.
- 3. The container of claim 1, wherein said container comprises a homopolymeric plastic material.
- 4. The container of claim 1, wherein said container consists of a homopolymeric polypropylene.
- 5. The container of claim 1, wherein said cover is linked with said container part by a film hinge.

- 6. The container of claim 1, wherein said cover is configured lockable with said container part.
- 7. The container of claim 6, wherein said cover further comprises a circumferentially closed wall section extending from a surface of said cover toward said container part, said closed wall section comprising a groove extending circumferentially about said closed wall section, a mating bulb being provided on said walls of said container part for locking said cover with said container part when said container part is closed by said cover.
- 8. The container of claim 1, wherein a supporting ridge is located at the inner surface of the bottom for supporting plates received within the container.
- 9. A container for receiving plates having a sensitive surface, said container comprising:
- a container part having a cavity enclosed by four walls and a bottom:
  - a removable cover for closing the container part;
- guide grooves located on two opposing ones of said walls for guiding plates received therein;
- a flexible tongue configured integrally with said bottom for securing plates received within the container against displacement;

wherein said flexible tongue is biased into the direction of said cover for exerting a pressure against a front surface of plates received within the container for securing said plates against displacements when said cover is closed.

- 10. The container of claim 9, wherein said tongue protrudes from an inner surface of said cover into said cavity.
- 11. The container of claim 9, wherein said container comprises of a homopolymeric plastic material.
- 12. The container of claim 9, wherein said container consists of a homopolymeric polypropylene.
- 13. The container of claim 9, wherein said cover is linked with said container part by a film hinge.
- 14. The container of claim 9, wherein said cover is configured lockable with said container part.
- 15. The container of claim 14, wherein said cover further comprises a circumferentially closed wall section extending from a surface of said cover toward said container part, said closed wall section comprising a groove extending circumferentially about said closed wall section, a mating bulb being provided on said walls of said container part for locking said cover with said container part when said container part is closed by said cover.
- 16. A container for receiving plates having a sensitive surface, said container comprising:
- a container part having a cavity enclosed by four walls and a bottom;
  - a removable cover for closing the container part;
- guide grooves located on two opposing ones of said walls for guiding plates received therein;

a flexible element configured integrally with said cover for securing plates received within the container against displacement;

wherein said flexible element is biased into the direction of said bottom for exerting a pressure against a front surface of plates received within the container for securing said plates against displacements when said cover is closed.

- 17. The container of claim 16, wherein said flexible element protrudes from an inner surface of said cover into said cavity.
- 18. The container of claim 16, wherein said container comprises of a homopolymeric plastic material.
- 19. The container of claim 16, wherein said container consists of a homopolymeric polypropylene.
- 20. The container of claim 16, wherein said cover is linked with said container part by a film hinge.
- 21. The container of claim 16, wherein said cover is configured lockable with said container part.
- 22. The container of claim 21, wherein said cover further comprises a circumferentially closed wall section extending from a surface of said cover toward said container part, said closed wall section comprising a groove extending circumferentially about said closed wall section, a mating bulb being provided on said walls of said container part for locking said

cover with said container part when said container part is closed by said cover.

- 23. A container for receiving plates having a sensitive surface, said container comprising:
- a container part having a cavity enclosed by four walls and a bottom;
  - a removable cover for closing the container part;
- guide grooves located on two opposing ones of said walls for guiding plates received therein;
- a flexible element configured integrally with the bottom for securing plates received within the container against displacement;

wherein said flexible element is biased into the direction of said cover for exerting a pressure against a front surface of plates received within the container for securing said plates against displacements when said cover is closed.